



INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR EMS PERSONNEL PRACTICE

Proposed Bylaws Change

Public Notice: October 9, 2023

Written Comments Due By: November 14, 2023 5:00PM (EDT)

Public Hearing: November 15, 2023 3:00PM (EDT)

ARTICLE I.

Commission Purpose, Function and Bylaws

Section 1. Purpose

Pursuant to the terms of the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (the "Compact"), The Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice (the "Commission") is established as a body ~~corporate~~ **POLITIC AND AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE COMPACT STATES** to fulfill the objectives of the Compact through a means of joint cooperative action among the Member States: to develop a comprehensive process that complements the existing licensing and regulatory authority of the State EMS Authority and extends to EMS personnel a Privilege to Practice across state boundaries in Member States, thereby providing immediate legal recognition to EMS personnel and ensuring the safety of patients.

Background and justification on the proposed change:

The Commission identified a discrepancy between the REPLICIA Model Legislation, as enacted in 24 Member States, and the Bylaws. The enabling legislation specifies the Commission shall be established as a "Body Politic and an instrumentality of the Compact States". This proposed change will align the phraseology in the Bylaws with the Model Legislation.

Public Comments Received

Cooper Wilson National EMS; dba Priority Ambulance It's great you're fixing the language to match. Now, can member states actually align when, how long, and even IF an actual privilege to practice is granted? A member state EMT cannot come to GA and actually work without obtaining a GA license. Many other states also still have no enabling rules that define how long that privilege to practice is good for. Please, fix this.